



Lafayette Police Department Press Release



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For Immediate Release:

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Lafayette, IN: On April 8, 2011 at 4:20 AM Lafayette Police were dispatched to a personal injury crash on Kossuth Street and Park Ave. Officers arrived and found a 1993 Ford Explorer had struck a school zone utility pole located on the north side of Kossuth St. with the passenger side of the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle had fled the scene on foot. The female passenger was found to be pinned in the wreckage.

Lafayette Fire arrived on scene and extricated the passenger. She was transported by ambulance to Saint Elizabeth East. The passenger was pronounced deceased in the emergency room. She has been identified as Kathleen E. Altepeter age 39, of the 1000 block of Roberts Street, Lafayette, IN.

The driver was located at his residence in the 1100 block of Kossuth Street. The driver was identified as Bradley J. Siefert age 33. He was transported to Saint Elizabeth Central. A blood test was conducted on Mr. Siefert as required by Indiana law. Mr. Siefert was found to have a blood alcohol content of .22%.

Mr. Siefert has been arrested for Driving While Intoxicated causing death (Class B felony) and leaving the Scene of a fatal crash (Class C felony). He was transported to the Tippecanoe County jail.

Tippecanoe County Emergency Management (TEMA) assisted with the road closure. The roadway was closed for approximately 4 1/2 hours.

Bradley J. Siefert